

WATER TAXI CHECKLIST

Authorized Inspecting Official or Ship's Representative to indicate whether water taxi being offered complies with contract requirements/specifications. A separate checklist should be completed for each water taxi provided under the contract.

	YES	NO
1. The following information is conspicuously posted in the English language and the language of the country in which the port is located:		
a. Current operator's/captain's license and qualifications		
b. Passenger/weight capacity limit notice.		
c. Location & number of life jackets and other life-saving equipment.		
d. Location of all exits indicated in large letters (if not easily observed).		
e. Emergency procedures.		
2. Water taxi is equipped with at least one clean and serviceable life jacket for each passenger and crew member, and life jackets are stowed in a readily accessible location.		
3. Water taxi is covered.		
4. Water taxi is operated in a safe and seaworthy manner.		
5. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited aboard the water taxi.		
6. Physical condition of the water taxi:		
a. Hull - Watertight integrity of weather decks, bulkheads, watertight closures & interior hull structure.		
- Superstructure (including masts & stacks) are structurally sound.		
- Railings, bulwarks, guardrails, & lifelines are soundly attached to hull.		
- Provision for drainage of sea water from exposed decks.		
b. Machinery - Main propulsion & auxiliary machinery essential to operation of craft are in satisfactory condition and working properly.		
- Sea & bulkhead closure valves in satisfactory working order.		
- Bilge suction strainers & dewatering systems working properly (Bilge pumps tested by operation)		
- Bilges free of flammable liquids.		
- Steering apparatus operates satisfactorily.		
c. Electrical - Cables & wiring in satisfactory condition, free of crimping, exposed bare wires and connections.		
- Navigation, deck and emergency lighting tests satisfactorily.		
- All lighting & electrical fixtures properly mounted and connected.		
- Emergency lighting is appropriate to craft size & design, and is readily available, and functions properly		
- Rotating electrical machinery (such as generators & motors) in satisfactory condition and good working order.		
- Storage batteries properly vented, securely strapped and properly connected.		
d. Lifesaving Equipment - Sufficient number of life preservers/jackets, stowed in accessible & easily identifiable locations, and in good repair.		
- First aid kits in easily accessible, readily identifiable and in good condition.		

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- Life rings (with automatically activated distress light) are readily deployable, in good condition, and in sufficient number for size of craft		
- Life rafts are sufficient for maximum capacity		
- Distress signaling devices in satisfactory condition		
e. Fire Fighting Equipment - Fire hose to fire pump pressure is adequate		
- Portable fire extinguishers are properly charged, accessible, available in sufficient numbers for size & configuration of craft		
- Fixed systems (CO2 cylinders) in good condition		
f. Misc Systems/Equipment - Harbor charts & lighted compass and/or boat compass with sufficient portable lighting available		
- Ground tackle & mooring lines in good condition and appropriate for size of craft		
- Low visibility signaling device in good working order.		
- Compass		
- Operational radar		
- Two-way radio capable of bridge-to-bridge plus battery back-up available in good working condition		
- Licenses are current		
7. Operator Qualifications:		
a. All contractor and/or subcontractor personnel/employees have current certifications for operation of water taxis (must be appropriate for type, class or size of craft operated).		
b. Contractor and/or subcontractor personnel/employees possess the requisite experience, skill, knowledge, and familiarity with the area in which water taxis are being operated.		